Mental Tests Ordered in Nixon Threat Case

BALTIMORE, Dec. 27 (AP) —Psychiatric testing for Carl D. McHone, 24, of Marietta, S.C., was ordered Thursday by a Federal judge here.

McHone is charged with threatening President-elect Richard M. Nixon's life on Nov. 26 in Lanham, Md. Chief Judge Roszel C. Thomsen ordered that the tests be given McHone in a Federal prison in Springfield, Mo.

McHone was arrested Sunday while hitchhiking near Florence, Ariz. He was in jail in Florence Thursday under $25,000 bail awaiting a preliminary hearing on the charge.

United States Attorney Stephen Sachs said information given by the Secret Service indicated that McHone told people he was boarding with in Lanham he did not like Nixon and he could kill him.

Sachs said that when the defendant left on a bus for New York, where the president-elect was on Nov. 26, McHone reportedly told friends, "You'll either hear from me or about me."